## FOR: CONTINUATION OF THE INDIANA COMMISSION ON JUVENILE LAW

## TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

- **WHEREAS**, the laws governing children in need of services and delinquent juveniles are complicated and sometimes in conflict; and
- **WHEREAS**, the laws governing children in need of services and delinquent juveniles occasionally are at odds with what may be in the best interests of the child; and
- WHEREAS, from time to time it is advisable to review and revise the laws; and
- **WHEREAS,** it is desirable to have representatives from other sectors of our society on a commission on juvenile law;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, **Joseph E. Kernan**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby order that:

- 1. The Indiana Commission on Juvenile Law is continued.
- 2. The Commission shall be composed of no more than 20 persons knowledgeable in juvenile law and the care and custody of children.
- 3. The Commission shall have as its major purpose to study and propose to the legislature, judiciary, and the Governor revision in the laws governing children in need of services and juvenile delinquents and the law governing their parents, guardians, and custodians. It is believed that the best interests of our children and our citizens are best served by having the laws affecting the component parts of the juvenile justice system studied as a whole rather than as separate units.
- 4. The Commission consists of the following members appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the Governor:
  - (a) Two (2) members of the house of representatives, who may not be members of the same political party, recommended by the speaker of the house of representatives;
  - (b) Two (2) members of the senate, who may not be members of the same political party, recommended by the president pro tempore of the senate;
  - (c) One (1) member representing the Indiana prosecuting attorneys council with expertise in juvenile law;
  - (d) One (1) member representing the Indiana public defenders council with expertise in juvenile law;
  - (e) One (1) member representing the Indiana judicial conference having responsibility for juvenile law recommended by the chief justice of the Indiana Supreme Court;

- (f) One (1) judge or justice of a court having appellate jurisdiction over juvenile law cases recommended by the chief justice of the Indiana Supreme Court;
- (g) The secretary of the Indiana family and social services administration or a designee;
- (h) The commissioner of the department of correction or a designee;
- (i) The director of the criminal justice institute or a designee;
- (j) One (1) person affiliated with a non-governmental organization that addresses delinquency and juvenile justice issues;
- (k) One (1) attorney licensed to practice law in Indiana who is a member of the Indiana State Bar Association's Committee on Civil Rights for Children, or, who has otherwise demonstrated an interest or expertise in juvenile law;
- (l) One (1) representative of a law enforcement agency;
- (m) The chairperson of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Advisory Group or a designee;
- (n) One (1) representative of a probation department;
- (o) One (1) person who has been under the jurisdiction of a juvenile court within the past ten (10) years;
- (p) One (1) parent, guardian, or custodian of a person who has been under the jurisdiction of a juvenile court within the past ten (10) years; and
- (q) Two (2) citizens who have a special interest or expertise in juvenile justice.
- 5. The chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
- 6. Those persons already appointed to the Commission shall continue in office under this Order.
- 7. The Indiana criminal justice institute shall staff the Commission and provide administrative support. The institute shall seek funding from grants or other alternatives to state general funds to support the Commission.
- 8. The legislative services agency may provide support for bill drafting and fiscal analysis upon request of a legislative member of the Commission.
- 9. Each member of the Commission who is not a state employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.
- 10. Each member of the Commission who is a state employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.
- 11. Each member of the Commission who is a member of the general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel

- allowances paid to legislative members of interim study committees established by the legislative council.
- 12. The majority of the members appointed to the Commission shall constitute a quorum. The affirmative votes of a majority of the members appointed to the Commission are required for the Commission to take action on any measure, including final reports.
- 13. The Commission may delegate to any one or more of its members or agents such powers and duties as it may deem proper
- 14. This Order is effective as of September 13, 2003.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Joseph E. Kernan, have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Indiana on this 1st day of October, 2003.

Suph 3. Leman.

Joseph E. Kernan Governor of Indiana

ATTEST: Todd Rokita

Secretary of State